



# JBLM COVID-19 Response Factsheet (BLUE HASH)

As of JAN 3 2022 HP CON B+



## COVID-19 Vaccine (COVAX)

- COVID-19 Vaccinations (COVAX) hotline: 253-968-4744; COVAX boosters available for individuals through their Primary Care Managers (PCM) or for groups via unit-led vaccination events coordinated with I Corps Surgeon; COVAX Process and Location located at: <https://madigan.tricare.mil/Health-Services/Preventive-Care/COVID-19-Vaccine>
- Madigan COVID Testing Tent is across from the Madigan ER along Gardner Loop Road and is open 6 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday – Friday and 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Saturday & Sunday.
- In order to avoid overwhelming testing capacity and capability, effective 3 JAN 2022 Madigan will restrict testing at the JBLM Testing Tent. Madigan will continue to test: 1) Individuals that are symptomatic and defined as high risk by the CDC, 2) Individuals who have a scheduled procedure or surgery and 3) Individuals scheduled for official DoD travel where mode of travel or destination requires testing.
- Madigan WILL NOT test: 1) Individuals without symptoms, except for those just identified above and 2) Individuals, less than 35 years of age, with mild symptoms who are otherwise healthy and who do not have serious symptoms such as shortness of breath or chest pain.
- Units are encouraged to arrange for any deployment related testing within their unit footprint. Call the Madigan EOC at 253-968-3653 to arrange.

## Joint Base Lewis-McChord

- COVID positive case rates continue to climb across the installation and in the surrounding area with OMICRON now suspected to be the dominant variant. Over 50% of the people testing positive on JBLM are FULLY VACCINATED.
  - Omicron still appears to have mild to no symptoms and can mimic cold and mild flu-like symptoms.
  - If you have symptoms, STAY AT HOME and assume you have COVID – whether tested or not.
- Isolation requirements for positive/symptomatic personnel. If you test positive OR display symptoms notify the chain of command and begin isolation for a 5 day period in accordance with Force Health Protection Guidance Supplement 15 (revision 3).
  - Day 0 is the full first day of symptoms. Day 1 is the first full day after symptoms developed.
  - During the 5 day period of isolation monitor symptoms and be sure to seek medical attention for any trouble breathing.
  - Stay in a separate room from other household members, if possible. Don't share personal household items and wear a well-fitting mask when around others. Ventilate the space as much as possible.
  - Personnel may leave isolation after 5 days if they are no longer having symptoms or if they have no fever for more than 24 hours (and any remaining symptoms are resolving).
  - It is imperative that personnel utilize a well-fitting mask for an additional 5 days after leaving isolation when around others.**
  - A negative test is not required to discontinue isolation.
  - If fever, shortness of breath, or severe fatigue starts or continues, personnel must stay in isolation until these symptoms resolve.
- Quarantine requirements for personnel who are close contacts. A close contact is defined as someone who was within 6 feet of you for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period two days before their illness onset.
  - Close contacts require a 5-day quarantine unless that individual has: (1) received their booster vaccine dose or (2) it has been less than 6 months since completion of the primary series of their Pfizer/Moderna COVID-19 vaccine or (3) it has been less than 2 months since receiving their J&J vaccine dose.
  - If no symptoms develop, close contacts may end their quarantine period after 5 days. Continue to wear a mask at all times when around others for the following five days.
  - If any symptoms develop at any time, close contacts are to isolate as per above.
  - If you believe you have been exposed and if you develop symptoms: 1) isolate as per above and 2) seek medical advice from you PCM and care team or call the Nurse Advise Line at 1-800-TRICARE, option 1.
- All previous masking guidelines remain in effect. NO CHANGE
- All Service Members and DOD Civilians/Contractors who are unvaccinated must undergo weekly COVID testing when accessing DOD facilities. NO CHANGE TO TEST PROCEDURES. \* Upcoming testing start dates: Contractors – 19 Jan 2022
- Common facilities (Army DFACs, On-base restaurants, Exchanges, Commissary, MWR facilities, Warrior Zone, gyms, retail facilities, religious services, etc.) reduce occupancy to 50%, implement hand sanitizer use prior to entry and control occupancy by monitoring inflow and outflow as required. **Exemption:** Waller Hall and all training in indoor classrooms– operate at 50% capacity.

## Additional Information:

- Omicron Variant Info: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/omicron-variant.html>
- Madigan and Dental Clinics Facebook Page: [Madigan and Dental Facebook Page](#) JBLM Website: [JBLM Homepage](#) Washington State School Status Updates: [Washington School District Information](#) MWR CDC/CYS info: [JBLM School & Childcare Information](#)

## I Corps (USA)

- Due to the highly contagious nature of the Omicron variant, immediately ensure social distancing is strictly enforced: restrict meeting attendance to the use of MS Teams, VTC, or teleconference. In person meetings are restricted to mission essential events and activities (e.g. training events, medical procedures, etc.).
- Although not mandatory, DoD strongly recommends personnel receive a booster vaccination at the 6 month mark following full vaccination.
- Unless the justification is extremely compelling, I Corps will not process requests for SECARMY ETPs for in person gatherings with more than 50 participants until further notice. **PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING ETPs UNCHANGED.**
- Commanders cannot invite unvaccinated personnel to travel to JBLM to attend meetings or events unless those personnel have an approved ETP from the SECARMY stating their travel is "mission critical."
- Non-DoD witnesses called by either the Government or Defense for a Court-Martial are considered to be accessing DoD facilities for an ad hoc purpose. Vaccination, screening, and verification requirements for visitors to DoD facilities do not apply to non-DoD court-martial witnesses, however all other force health protection requirements remain in effect (i.e., masking).
- Travel procedures
- The President has lifted travel restrictions to South African countries.
- Chain of Command approves domestic leave/pass travel (US and territories) based upon State/County COVID risk assessment and vaccination status. Note: IAW AR 600-8-10, Army Commanders may limit leave for unvaccinated SM.
- Limit TDY travel to those activities in support of mission and readiness. All TDY travel (CONUS or OCONUS) approved at the O-6 level or above.
- Travel procedures for unvaccinated Soldiers/DA Civilians: ALL Official Travel requires SECARMY Approval (refer to FRAGO 7 to OPORD 21-474)

## 62d Airlift Wing (USAF)

- Walk-in at McChord Clinic 0830-1130 & 1230-1530 daily.
- For questions concerning 62 AW COVID-19 call PH, (253) 982-3717. Aircrew contact on-call Flight Surgeon via McChord CP, (253) 982-2635.

